

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Arnould-Reguigne et al.  
Appl. No.: 10/072,900  
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Title: NUCLEIC ACIDS OF THE HUMAN ABCA12 GENE, VECTORS  
CONTAINING SUCH NUCLEIC ACIDS AND USES THEREOF  
Art Unit: 1649  
Examiner: G. Emch  
Docket No.: 116696-004

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This Amendment accompanies the Request for Continued Prosecution filed concurrently herewith requesting entry of the previously filed Amendment of 19 May 2006, and addresses issues raised in the Final Office Action mailed 21 December 2005 and the Advisory Action mailed 1 June 2006. Attached hereto and herein and incorporated by reference is a Petition for Extension of Time for a four-month extension relative to the Notice of Appeal filed 21 June 2006, making the due date for response, 21 December 2006.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.